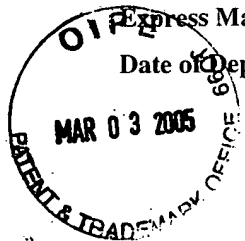


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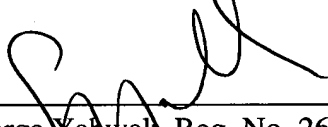
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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No.502648, Reference No.Cura-85 CIP2

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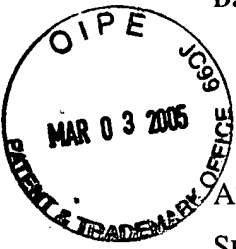


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This paper is in response to the December 8, 2004 Office Action in connection with the above-referenced application. Applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with this response as it is being submitted on March 2, 2005. If any fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No. 502648 (CURA 85CIP2).

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